

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: Chair Roger Webb, on March 15, 2017 at 3:00 PM, in Room 405 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Roger Webb, Chair (R)
Sen. Mike Lang, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Edward Buttrey (R)
Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)
Sen. Terry Gauthier (R)
Sen. Brian Hoven (R)
Sen. Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D)
Sen. Jon C. Sesso (D)
Sen. Gene Vuckovich (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Leanne Kurtz, Legislative Branch
Tia Stockton, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 373, 3/6/2017; HB 520, 3/6/2017

Executive Action: HB 405 - Be concurred in as amended
HB 416 - Be concurred in as amended
HB 422 - Be concurred in
HB 520 - Be concurred in

00:00:04 Chair Webb

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 405

00:01:25 **Motion:** Sen. Fitzpatrick moved that **HB 405 BE CONCURRED IN.**

00:01:55 **Motion:** Sen. Fitzpatrick moved that **HB 405 BE AMENDED.**

EXHIBIT(los54a01)

Discussion:

00:02:07 Leanne Kurtz, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

00:03:19 Chair Webb

00:03:22 Sen. MacDonald

00:03:29 Ms. Kurtz, LSD

00:03:47 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Buttrey, Sen. Gauthier and Sen. Lang voted by proxy.

00:04:04 **Motion:** Sen. Fitzpatrick moved that **HB 405 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

00:04:30 **Motion:** Sen. Fitzpatrick moved that **HB 405 BE AMENDED.**

EXHIBIT(los54a02)

Discussion:

00:04:39 Ms. Kurtz

00:06:30 Chair Webb

00:07:15 Sen. Sesso

00:07:20 Chair Webb

00:07:23 Sen. Sesso

00:07:48 Sen. MacDonald

00:07:59 Ms. Kurtz

00:08:31 Sen. MacDonald

00:08:47 Ms. Kurtz

00:09:20 Sen. Sesso

00:09:23 Sen. Gauthier entered the meeting.

00:10:34 Ms. Kurtz

00:11:37 Sen. Vuckovich

00:11:44 Ms. Kurtz

00:11:52 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Buttrey and Sen. Lang voted by proxy.

00:12:08 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Fitzpatrick moved that **HB 405 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Buttrey and Sen. Lang voted by proxy. Sen. Gauthier will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 416

00:13:06 **Motion:** Sen. Fitzpatrick moved that **HB 416 BE CONCURRED IN.**

00:13:34 **Motion:** Sen. Fitzpatrick moved that **HB 416 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(los54a03)

Discussion:

00:13:48 Ms. Kurtz
00:13:54 Sen. Sesso
00:16:46 Chair Webb
00:17:19 Sen. Sesso
00:18:19 Sen. MacDonald
00:18:54 Sen. Sesso
00:20:21 Sen. Vuckovich
00:20:40 Ms. Kurtz
00:20:58 Sen. Fitzpatrick
00:21:36 Ms. Kurtz
00:21:52 Sen. Sesso

00:22:24 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Buttrey and Sen. Lang voted by proxy.

00:22:43 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Fitzpatrick moved that **HB 416 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Buttrey and Sen. Lang voted by proxy. Sen. Buttrey will carry the bill.

00:24:02 Chair Webb

00:24:10 Sen. Lang entered the meeting.

HEARING ON HB 373

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:24:19 Rep. Bruce Grubbs (R), HD 68, opened the hearing on HB 373, Revise county property disposal.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:27:09 Steve White, commissioner, Gallatin County
EXHIBIT(los54a04)

00:33:24 Michael Harris, legislative liaison, Gallatin County (GC)
00:35:50 Harold Blattie, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)
EXHIBIT(los54a05)

00:37:49 Joe Skinner, commissioner, Gallatin County

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:38:38	Sen. MacDonald
00:39:45	Mr. Blattie, MACo
00:40:25	Mr. Harris, GC
00:41:44	Sen. Hoven
00:42:34	Mr. Harris
00:42:53	Sen. Hoven
00:43:19	Mr. Harris
00:43:33	Sen. Lang
00:44:50	Mr. Harris
00:45:20	Sen. Lang
00:45:22	Mr. Harris
00:45:45	Sen. Sesso
00:46:53	Mr. Harris
00:48:07	Sen. Sesso
00:48:53	Mr. Blattie
00:50:56	Sen. Sesso
00:52:20	Mr. Blattie
00:52:57	Sen. Sesso
00:53:27	Leanne Kurtz, Legislative Services Division
00:54:08	Sen. Sesso
00:54:32	Chair Webb
00:54:54	Mr. White, GC
00:56:09	Chair Webb
00:56:17	Mr. White
00:58:13	Chair Webb
00:58:20	Mr. White

00:59:12 Sen. Buttrey entered the meeting.

00:59:24 Sen. Sesso

01:00:16 Mr. White

01:14:30 Sen. Fitzpatrick left the meeting.

01:00:33 Sen. Sesso

Closing by Sponsor:

01:01:15 Rep. Grubbs

01:02:06 Chair Webb

HEARING ON HB 520

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:03:16 Rep. Ross Fitzgerald (R), HD 17, opened the hearing on HB 520, Revise procurement laws for fire districts and service areas.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:04:17 Lyn Stimpson, Montana City Rural Fire District (MCRFD)

01:06:59 Jim Dusenberry, Montana Fire Trustees Association (MFTA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:07:49 Sen. Hoven

01:08:23 Mr. Stimpson, MCRFD

01:10:13 Sen. Gauthier

01:10:30 Mr. Dusenberry, MFTA

Closing by Sponsor:

01:10:50 Rep. Fitzgerald

01:11:12 Chair Webb

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 422

01:12:30 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Hoven moved that **HB 422 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried 8-0 by voice vote. Sen. Fitzpatrick was excused. Sen. Hoven will carry the bill.

01:13:50 Sen. Fitzpatrick entered the meeting.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 520

01:13:28 **Motion:** Sen. Sesso moved that **HB 520 BE CONCURRED IN**.

Discussion:

01:13:56 Chair Webb

01:15:10 Sen. Sesso

01:18:02 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Pomnichowski will carry the bill.

01:18:30 Chair Webb

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:31 PM

Tia Stockton, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([los54aad.pdf](#))